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DANUBE SAILINGS RESUMED -- Libertatea, No 1379, 18 Mar 49

The Sovrom Transport Navigation Company announces that passenger and freight sailings on the Danube River (Galati-Braila-Harsova-Cernavoda) were resumed on 16 March. The schedule for March will be departure from Galati at 0500 and Braila at 0700 on even days and from Cernavoda at 0600 on the odd days. There is only once class; tickets from Galati to Cernavoda cost 700 lei and from Braila to Cernavoda 625 lei. The steamer will also call at Gura Gariutei, Stanouta, Giurgeni, Topalu, and Gura Ialomitei.

REOPENING OF SULINA CHANNEL -- Universul, No 79, 5 Apr 49

Maritime navigation has been resumed on the Sulina Channel since the thawing of the Danube River. The bar at the entrance to the channel has been dredged. The Hydrographic ship Delta has taken soundings and has marked the shallows by buoys and lights. The channel was officially opened on 1 April when four freighters passed through.

FISHING VESSEL LAUNCHED AT DINAMICA SHIPYARD -- Libertatea, No 1390, 31 Mar 49

A 72-ton fishing vessel was launched at Dinamica Shipyard in Turm-Severin on 30 March 1949, the sixth vessel of this type to be launched. Construction time was only 2 months, which was 2 weeks ahead of schedule.

FIFTH 1,000-TON SHIP LAUNCHED -- Libertatea, No 1388, 29 Mar 49

The fifth 1,000-ton ship has been launched at the Dinamica Shipyard in Turm-Severin.

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COAL CONSUMPTION OF ROMANIAN LOCOMOTIVES -- Libertatea, No 1380, 19 Mar 49

The Turm-Severin depot of the Rumanian Railroads announces a saving of 197.2 tons of coal during the month of February. This amount of fuel is sufficient to fire two locomotives for a round-trip from Turm-Severin to Pitesti (556 kilometers).

NEW AUTOBUS LINES STARTED -- Universul, No 78, 3 Apr 49

The Administration for Motor Vehicle Transport (RATA) announces the opening of new autobus lines in Ardeal and Moldavia: Arad-Lipova (37 kilometers); Oradea-Bailia Victoria (formerly Episcopiei) (9 kilometers); Zalan-Cekul Silvaniei (31 kilometers); Iasi-Sarat (51 kilometers); Focsani-Yalea Sarai (51 kilometers); Focsani-Jaristea (15 kilometers); Braila-Stanculea (55 kilometers); and Rimnicul Sarat-Jirlan (34 kilometers).

The Cluj-Sevadisia line has been extended to Turda (Cluj-Turda, 66 kilometers).

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